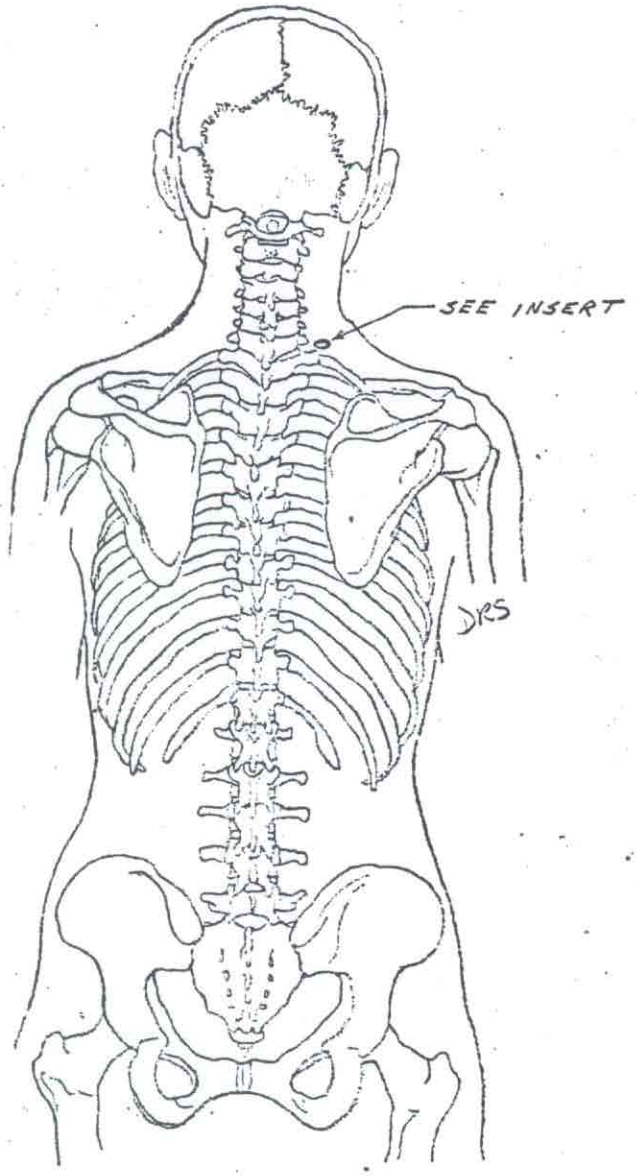
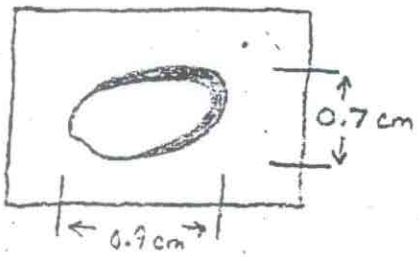
FIGURE 5

APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF THE WOUND IN THE PRESIDENT'S BACK

The insert shows an enlarged view of the wound with its approximate dimensions. The border of the wound shows a darkened, abraded rim, varying from 0 to 2 mm wide, most noticeably along the lateral margin. This abraded rim is typical of a bullet striking at an appreciable angle off the perpendicular at the point of entry. In this case, the implied direction is primarily from right to left. This direction is also consistent with the reported location of the exit wound at the midline of the anterior throat and the fact that the knot of the President's tie was apparently grazed along the left side as the bullet emerged.

X-rays of this region of the President's body disclose metallic particles to the right of the sixth and seventh cervical vertebrae.





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